

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Sibley Soil and Water Conservation District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Water Quality / Phosphorus, Feedlots

Soil erosion / Eastern Sibley

Wildlife / Wildlife habitat, Wetlands

Air

Forest

Grazing

Other / Drainage ditch banks. Wells Sealing

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

High Island Creek watershed

Rush River Watershed

Eastern Sibley

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Applications addressing water quality and soil erosion concerns in eastern Sibley.

(Eastern Sibley defined as Faxon, Jessenland and Henderson Township.)

Applications addressing water quality and soil erosion reducing Phosphorus.

Applications with tillage and nutrient management.

Applications in the High Island and Rush River Watershed.

4. **Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.**

Water Quality – The application will install practices that will reduce phosphorus loading in Eastern Sibley County. (15 points)

Water Quality – The application will install practices that will reduce phosphorus introduced into Rush River or High Island Creek. (10 points)

Soil Erosion and Water Quality – The application includes both residue and nutrient management practices. (10 points)

Water Quality – The application includes nutrient management practice. (5 points)

Water Quality – The application will install a Feedlot practice. (15 points)

All Concerns – The application will install a practice in Eastern Sibley County. (5 points)

Note: (Eastern Sibley defined as Faxon, Jessenland and Henderson Township.)

5. **Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the local score of questions should be 35 - 60 points.**

60 pts. Possible.

6. **Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC (FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.**

7. **List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document.**

None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 08 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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Chair, Local Work Group

Date